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## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the Office Action mailed August 22, 2008, the time for a response to which expires on November 24, 2008. This response is timely filed on November 24, 2008. The original due date was Saturday, November 22, 2008. Monday, November 24, 2008 is the next succeeding day the U.S. patent and Trademark Office is open for business.

Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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